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THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1897.

"I wish you would say something in your paper about the abuse of horses in this part of the country," said an industrious and observant farmer a few days ago, to the editor of the Wolseley Echo, and he went on to describe the amount of careless-ness and cruelty which he had observed during the few hours he had been in town that day. Several of the horses he had noticed had aggravated sores as a result of carelessness in arranging and fitting the harness. Much might be said on this question of cruelty to animals, and doubtless more should be said. While some of the sores on horses may at times be unavoidable, a great many of them are caused by sheer carelessness, and a few perhaps through ignorance of how the collars and other parts of the harness should fit. It cannot be expected that people who never handled horses until they came to the North-west, should know just how a horse should be handled and fitted with harness, but it is cruel to work horses day after day with the harness cutting into the flesh, or with an improper collar causing sore shoulders. For our own part we have seen more cruelty through leaving horses for hours exposed to the severe cold and bitter wind We do not say that every farmer should always put his horses in the feed stable when he comes to town, but if it is necessary for him to remain in town for two or three hours, it would be far more humane and profitable for him to stable his horses than to leave them exposed to the weather after being heated up by driving. If there were a society here for the prevention of cruelty to animals, a great many things which are now taken as a matter of course would not be permitted."

It looks almost as if the Crow's Nest Pass railway project was going to develop into a second Pacific scandal. The exposure in the World of the little scheme for grasping not only the right of way, but also the coal and coal oil fields existing in the pass in which two of the proprietors of the Globe are implicated, has apparently caused quite a flutter in ministerial ranks, and they seem to be inclined to adopt a policy of masterly inactivity on the matter as a consequence. It reads almost like a satire on the principles of modern government, when one sets the situation down in black and white. Here is a road acknowledged on all hands to be a necessity in order to secure to this nation the full benefits of the wealth which recent discoveries in Kootenay have poured into her lap. There are two courses open to the government, one to let the C.P.R. build it and the other to build it themselves They are afraid to adopt the first for fear of offending the people. They are afraid to adopt the second for fear of offending the railway. And so they ultimately decide to do nothing and to let Spokane get the trade of South Kootenay without let or hindrance. If this is government, we might almost as well have anarchy. – Revelstoke Herald.

FARMERS are advised to send samples of seed grain to the Dominion government experimental farm at Ottawa, for testing. Samples will be tested free and will go free of postage. On account of the poor sample of oats produced last year, it is specially desirable that care should be taken, and any doubtful samples tested before sowing. Some rusty samples of Manitoba oats of last crop, already tested at Ottawa, have shown very fair germinating power, but some contained quite a percentage of weak plants. The germinating test is not alone sufficient to show the value of grain for seed. As some grains which may germinate may produce very weak growth.

C. P. R. Annual Report.

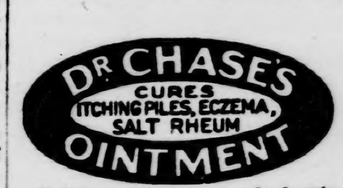
We have received a copy of the C. P. R. Annual Report for 1896 of which the following is a synopsis:

The report shows gross earnings $82,061,536; working expenses $125,454,156; net earnings, $8,107,381. Total surplus, $1,706,772 for the half year ending April 1st, a dividend of 2½ cents will be paid on preferred stock and 1½ cents on ordinary stock. The directors ask the approval of the expenditure of $2800 00 for the entire property of the Columbia and Kootenay Navigation company.

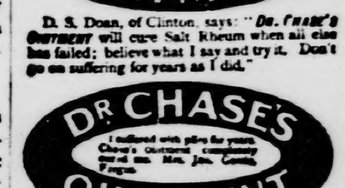
Concerning direct railway communication with the mining districts the report says: Your directors feel that they cannot too strongly urge the immediate construction of a line from Lethbridge to connect with the Columbia and Kootenay railway at Nelson, a distance of 325 miles, and anticipating your approval, have already taken steps for the commencement of the work on the opening of spring.

The report deals with the uncertainty in the United States which has caused stagnation there and reduced international traffic, causing the Minneapolis and St. Paul, Sault Ste. Marie and Duluth and South Shore and Atlantic to suffer shortage. The chief cause of loss in Canada was the short wheat crop in the west, furnishing 10,000,000 bushels less for carriage than in 1895. Better prices for wheat and mining development in British Columbia improved matters in the second half year. The report states that prospects are encouraging and asks for permanent bridges and improvements of the roadway; for terminals at Montreal and Toronto; for grain elevators at Owen Sound; for additional equipment and for various station and other facilities, aggregating $2,056,736.

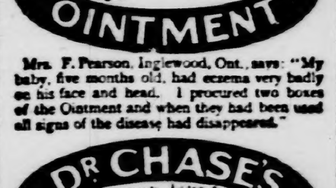
Land sales showed an increase of $100,548. During the year, $2,609,000 Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie consolidated mortgage bonds, guaranteed by the company under the contract of 1888, were acquired by an issue of 4 per cent consolidated debenture stock. While the rate of interest on the bonds acquired is the same as on the debenture stock issued, the transaction enabled the M., St. P. & S. S. M. Co. to take up outstanding Minneapolis and Pacific 5 per cent bonds, thereby affecting a saving $26,090 per annum. Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic consolidated bonds amounting to $53,360 were acquired in like manner, and for a like purpose, and $61,000 of North Shore railway 5 per cent bonds were also acquired by the issue of 4 per cent debenture stock.



D. S. Doan, of Clinton, says: "*Dr. Chase's Ointment* will cure Salt Rheum when all else has failed; believe what I say and try it. Don't go on suffering for years as I did."



Mrs. F. Pearson, Inglewood, Ont., says: "My baby, five months old, had eczema very badly on his face and head. I procured two boxes of the Ointment and when they had been used all signs of the disease had disappeared."



Cross Women.

A druggist doing business in a large Ontario town recently wrote as follows:

"I have lately met with some very cross women. For reasons best known to themselves they purchased common package dyes instead of the reliable and never-failing Diamond Dyes for home dyeing. They were sorely disappointed in results and said their goods spoiled. They came to me afterward knowing that I sell only the Diamond Dyes."

Moral: When you are coloring goods at home use the "Diamond" that guarantees success; refuse all imitations.

McDonald Hills Happenings.

(From our own correspondent.)

At the regular meeting of the Cowboy club, held in Fat Ox hall 1st Saturday evening, the debate was a lively contest on the marriage question between bachelors and benedicts, and each side used their utmost endeavors to win. Sid Pryce led off for the bachelors, ably upholding the virtues of a bachelor's life, giving many amusing illustrations of its advantages, and wound by saying that a Cree squaw, as she toams the prairie clad only in a grudy blanket and a stone bruise, is happier in many instances than the white man's wife, with her luxurious home and fine clothes.

Wisconsin Jack, the leader for the married men, mounted the platform with a very knowing look and said, "Lo, the poor deluded bachelors who have no idea of the happiness to be derived from married life are to be pitied, for there is nothing so encouraging and pleasing to a man when he comes home tired after a hard day's work than a smile of welcome from a loving wife, and the merry prattle of children's musical voices is like the music that soothes the savage breast."

Kenny McLay, for the bachelors, gave a very able speech, setting forth the bachelor's immunity from sleepless nights by baby music, and the ceaseless tread on the floor of a cold chamber during the silent hours of the night, clad in a robe de chambre with papa's baby boy in your arms and a bottle of soothing syrup in your hand.

Irish Curry, one of the married contingent, set forth in an able manner the many advantages and great encouragement a married man derives from the loving companionship of a smiling wife, especially if she is a pretty one.

Coyote Jack, the last speaker for the bachelors, endeavored to show the many advantages of a free and easy single life, with no family cares and no wife to bother his life.

Geo. Murray closed for the benedicts by giving some of the advantages of a married man's life on a ranch compared to a real Northwest bachelor in his lonely and cheerless home.

On a vote of the audience being taken, the married men won.

Sammy Bolingbrook, of buckboard fame, sung, "McSorley's Twins;" Willie Adams sung, "The Bachelor's Lament," Geo. Scott sung "She is my Bonny Blueeyed Scotch Lassie;" Shorty Bostock sung "Home, Sweet Home," and Old Glory sung, "From Wimbleton to Wobleton is only seventeen miles."

The club adjourned, the gentle zephers of the March night fanning the color to the cheeks of the members as they wended their way to their several homes, leaving the president instructing Sid, Kenny and Jack in the art of writing love letters.

Geo. Scott returned to the Horseshoe ranch from a visit to Qu'Appelle, looking the better for his much needed rest.

Miss Hall, from Wishart, went down on last week's stage to spend a few weeks at the Assiniboia cattle metropolis.

La grippe has visited this section in its general rounds, but no serious consequences are feared.

Mrs. and Miss McLay returned home from a few weeks visit with friends in the vicinity of Gordon's reserve.

Young Sullivan, he of pugilistic fame, arrived in the hills this week. He is not the original John L. but aspires to local honors similar to those of the ex-champion.

Old Glory camped in the vicinity of his home this week.

R. Scott is hovering around Qu'Appelle this week and we miss his genial smile from the Hills very much.

Regina Ripples.

(From our own correspondent.)

Miss A. McAra died on Saturday morning and the funeral was held on Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Willoughby, who was very ill recently, has gone to Winnipeg.

The train from Prince Albert, which should have arrived last Thursday, is snowed up. Four engines are at work with it, and provisions have been sent out along with a snowplow.

Nine persons left here for the Kootenay on the first of the month.

J. J. Campbell and Wm. McIver, who were for some years in Regina, in connection with the Indian office, are to be superannuated. The former gentleman was very favorably known here and regarded as a particularly efficient officer.

On Saturday the Liberal-Conservative convention was held here, followed in the evening by a mass meeting, at which Hon. Hugh John Macdonald and N. F. Davin spoke. Other speakers held the platform very briefly.

Mr. Gibbons, of the firm of Neelands & Gibbons, has left for Indian Head, where he will reside a short time.

The Seed is the Vital Thing.

Planting must be begun right, else no amount of cultivation or fertilizer can prevent the crop being a failure. The first step is the selection of the seed. Do not take any risks here. Get seeds that you can depend upon—seeds that are fresh, that have a reputation behind them. The most reliable seeds grown in this country are Ferry's seeds. Wherever seeds are sown the name of D. M. Ferry & Co., of Windsor, Ont., is a guarantee of quality and freshness. The greatest care and attention are exercised in the growing, selection, packing and distribution of their seeds. Not only must they be fresh, but they must be true to name.

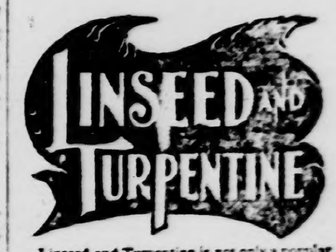
On a par with the quality of the seeds is Ferry's Seed Annual for 1897, the most comprehensive and valuable book of the kind ever printed. Every planter, large and small, should get, read and digest this book before planting a single seed. It is free to all who address the firm as above.

The Harry Lindley Co.

The attraction at the Bijou last night was "The Inside Track," an English melodrama. Its presentation by the Lindley company was witnessed by a good-sized audience, who, judging by the hearty applause that frequently greeted the actors, greatly enjoyed the performance. E. P. Lewis as "Harry Denby," Harry Lindley as "Jim," and Adelaide Flint as "Cherry," and Clara Mathers as "Minnie Foster," interpreted their respective characters in a praiseworthy manner and certainly deserved the applause which greeted their efforts. Harry Lindley was as funny as ever and created no end of merriment.—Winnipeg Free Press.

Silver Wedding.

On Monday evening last Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ambler celebrated the 20th anniversary of their marriage. A number of friends from Davin, Edgeley and elsewhere assembled at the residence of the happy couple, bringing tokens of friendship and esteem, and after spending a pleasant evening departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Ambler many more years of connubial felicity.



Linseed and Turpentine is not only a popular remedy, but the best known to medical science for the treatment of nervous membranes of respiratory organs.

DR. CHASE compounded this valuable syrup so as to take away the unpleasant taste of the turpentine and linseed. It was the Doctor's last and greatest remedy, and more of it is sold in Canada than all other cough medicines combined.

A Banker's Experience

RECOMMENDS HIS PATRONS TO USE HIS OWN FAMILY DOCTOR

"I tried a bottle of *Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine* for a troublesome affection of the throat," writes Manager Thomas Dowson, of the Standard Bank, corner of St. Mary avenue, Toronto. "It proved effectual in the first case and in a couple of other cases since has given entire satisfaction. Hereafter, however, I intend to be my own family doctor."

QU'APPELLE PROGRESS.

Thursday, March 11, 1897.

THE WESTERN WORLD.

ITEMS SHORT AND INTERESTING.

A Resume of the Events of the Week—Prominent People, Their Sayings and Doings.

The four year old child of Mr. Campbell, of Miami was burned to death, the result of playing with matches.

Edward Little, of Winnipeg while under the influence of liquor was frozen to death in that city a few days ago.

Dr. Gordon Bell, of Winnipeg, has been appointed a Dominion bacteriologist, with quarters at the general hospital of that city.

Alexander M. Leitch, the man arrested on a charge of robbing the Canadian mail at Wasa, East Kootenay, has been committed for trial.

In the contest at Minneapolis between the legless skaters, H. C. Pierce, of Winnipeg, and John Sandstrom, of Minneapolis, the former won with ease.

A call has been issued for a southern Manitoba convention of prohibitionists, to be held in the Methodist church, Boissevain, on March 9th and 10th.

The Bank of Montreal has opened a branch in New Denver, Slocan. The same bank will open a branch in Boundary. Banks are also being opened in Slocan City.

The Imperial Bank of Canada, Revelstoke, B. C., branch opened the other morning, under the management of A. R. B. Hearn, the late manager at Prince Albert, N. W. T.

Hon. Geo. E. Foster visited the Le Roi and War Eagle mines, and was greatly pleased with all he saw. But, he said, he would be still better pleased if he owned a portion of the stock in each.

It was stated last week that the C. P. R. were going to build a $25,000 hotel at Revelstoke, B. C. That the report was correct is fully shown by a notice taken from the Vancouver News-Advertiser asking for tenders for the work.

Michael Koster, of the Austrian settlement on Jumping Creek, near Fort Qu'Appelle, had his stables burned down, three horses and three head of cattle being burned to death. He claims that the fire was the work of an incendiary, there being tracks from the trail to the stable.

The Victoria hockey team, of Winnipeg, have completed arrangements for the erection of a suitable monument over the grave of their dead comrade, Mr. Fred. T. Higginbotham. President Nixon of the club will shortly go east to personally superintendent its erection at the grave in Bowmanville, Ont.

The Winnipeg city council recently adopted the following resolution unanimously: "That Mr. Rudolphe Hering, C. E., of New York, be engaged as consulting engineer to make examinations and report on the questions submitted to him on the subject of water supply and waterworks for the city, on the terms stated in his letter, viz., $50 per day and expenses."

Charles H. Mackintosh, lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories, has declined to stand as first mayor of Rossland, B. C. A numerously signed petition asking him to accept the nomination was presented to him the other day. His answer was postponed for a while, when he refused to comply with the request of the petitioners on several grounds.

The Winnipeg Board of Trade has received a letter from the consul of Chili at Vancouver asking to be placed in communication with importers and dealers in nitrate of soda for fertilizing purposes. This is the great export of Chili and the consul wishes to get it on the Manitoba market. Chili last year exported nitrate of soda to the value of forty million dollars, which fact will convey an idea of the extent of the industry.

There is a tremendous rush to register new companies at Victoria, B. C., ere the new and stringent Company Law Amendment Bill comes into operation. This has been a record week for British Columbia incorporating and the next one promises to be even greater. During the seven days ending February 18, forty limited liability companies were registered at Victoria, representing no less than $58,830,000. Of these companies, thirty-three were mining, two financial, one drug, one supply, one salmon canning and another a shingle mill reorganization.

The British Columbia legislature has very seriously amended the mining law, and the change has met with an amount of favor from all the newspapers in the west. The law which requires any person employed about a mine to take out a free miner's license at an annual cost of $5, has been repealed, and the News-Advertiser commends this, pointing out that in no other line of work, such as the building of a railway, has a man to secure a license to work. The only persons at present who will be required to hold a free miners' certificate are those who desire to take up and hold mineral claims. The government will seek to make up the loss of revenue by increasing the charge made for a certificate to a mining company.

A Cure for Plague.

Dr. Yersin's plague serum is now being successfully used at Bombay, and its efficacy as a remedy seems to be placed beyond doubt. It has the indorsation of Lord Lister, the eminent surgeon and scientist, who is now president of the Royal Society of Great Britain. In an account of the new remedy published in this month's Annales de l'Institut Pasteur, Dr. Yersin says: "Jus as in diphtheria, and exactly as it must occur, if the antidote is really efficacious, the cure was most rapid when the treatment could be commenced on the first day of the disease; speedy also, but less so, when it was begun on the second, and so from day to day, until the fifth. Four patients were treated at this very late period, and the only failures were in two of these. More of the serum also was required in the more advanced cases. Equally striking was the manner of recovery. In none of the twelve cases in which treatment commenced within two days of the onslaught of the complaint did the bubo suppurate; and in those of a latter period in which matter did form the abscess closed rapidly after being opened, instead of healing tediously as it does when recovery takes place without this treatment, and the patients, instead of having a lingering convalescence, were healthy men and women in a time which was always relatively short, and astonishingly so, when the treatment had been commenced early. All this adds strong confirmation to the favorable opinion entertained of the new remedy from the first. Dr. Yersin had the advantage of being trained under the great Pasteur, and of studying the plague on the spot where it first broke out, but his discovery is none the less a remarkable one and a great triumph for medical science. With modern sanitary precautions as a prevention, and the new serum as a cure, the plague is stripped of its old terrors.

CLOTH FROM CAT-TAIL.

A New Use for the Humble but Pretty Water Plant.

Very few, probably are aware that the fur, or vegetable down, of the cat-tail is a marketable article, superior to feathers or cotton for many purposes. It is not quite so useful as eiderdown, but it approaches it very closely, and is cheaper than any of three. As a matter of fact, a great many people are to day using articles covered with cat-tail products who have no idea where the material comes from.

It is a vast extent of country, comparatively speaking, from which the cat-tail is gathered. It comes from the swamps along the numerous creeks that put in from the Deleware bay, from Morris river of Cape May. The average amount gathered in the season is a ton a day. The work of gathering and transporting it, and then weaving it into the many forms which it must take before becoming salable, constitutes a considerable industry.

One of the most elaborate uses to which this material is put is that of covering sofas.

Very many of the supposed plush covered divans are really covered with a fabric of cat-tail. It wears better than the plush, and is infinitely cheaper.

The same argument that applies to the sofa is applicable to the pillow. Very often however such pillows go by another name.

Sofa pillows, also, are made of cat tail because a pillow avowedly covered with cat-tail would probably be regarded with contempt. Call it Alaskan plush, however or Shetland wool that has been treated by a new process, and it will sell readily enough, and give good satisfaction, too.

The family album which graces the centre table of so many farm houses is also in many instances adorned with cat tail covers, although the housewife cannot be convinced they are not plush. She has doubtless paid almost as much as if they were what she supposes, and naturally she scoffs at any person who hints that she has been victimized.

It is becoming a prevalent custom to use cat-tail fur on the back of hand mirrors and brushes, which have heretofore been backed with plush. Some say that the substitute is really proving better than the orignal. The head rest, too, seen on the easy chair, is often of cat-tail—and it is none the less comfortable for that.

Another article for which the cat-tail is used is the bed quilt. The eiderdown quilt is an old time article of luxury. The cat-tail quilt is every whit as comfortable, and costs about one-quarter as much. In New Jersey, at least, the housewife fully appreciates the value of the cat-tail quilt, however much her less well informed sisters may scoff at the idea.

A SENSIBLE REPLY.

Have to Earn Their Bread and Therefore Don't Want Suffrage.

The Garment Workers Union, of St. Paul, composed of women entirely, were waited upon at their Thursday evening meeting by a committee from the W. C. T. U., headed by Mrs. Reed. It was the expressed wish of the delegation that the union take up the agitation in favor of women's suffrage. After the hearing had been granted, the union discussed at some length what action should be taken in regard to the request. The general expression was, that while the garment workers are having such a hard struggle for existence, they have no time and no occasion to seek the elective franchise. It was considered more important that an increase in the daily wage be secured in preference to attempting to secure the right to vote for candidates for office. After the meeting adjourned, it was given out that the union had decided that it "cannot afford to waste time in discussing such silly things as women's suffrage, and those persons who desire that such be the case, are advised to turn their attention to the factory girls, in whose behalf all their spare energy may be spent, with prospect of doing some good." The W. C. T. U. ladies did not remain to receive this curt message.—St. Paul Dispatch.

A PETRIFIED INDIAN BODY.

Searchers for Hidden Treasure Make an Unlooked-for Find.

In Atchison County, Kas., a strange and perhaps valuable find has been made as the result of a long and patient search for buried gold.

The first white settler in Atchison county was a Frenchman named Peninau, who married a Kickapoo Indian squaw, and took up a claim on Stranger Creck, in 1839. This claim has ever since been known as "The Indian Farm."

Old Peninau had the reputation of being a sharp trader, and tradition still claims that when he died he was worth many thousand dollars in gold and silver. After he was dead and buried only a few Mexican dollars were found on the premises. It was supposed that as he accumulated money he buried it somewhere on the "farm." Searching parties have plowed and dug for it, but in vain. A large part of the farm has been literally turned over. Until recently, however, it never occurred to any of these searching parties to make any explorations in the old Indian burying ground on the farm.

When it was suggested to James Saunders and party they began to dig into the old graves. They exhumed some bones and obtained some trifling relics. The other evening while at work they made a discovery of a petrified human body. The petrification is almost perfect in form—one thumb alone is missing—and is evidently that of a man weighing, when alive, possibly 160 to 170 pounds. When placed on the scales it weighed 635 pounds.

BURIED UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

The Material for a Royal Funeral Very Difficult to Find.

The Dowager Empress of Japan has been finally buried in great state at Kioto, but there was great difficulty in making the proper arrangements for transporting the body. An ancient law required that the funeral car for a member of the royal family must be drawn by three oxen, harnessed one behind the other; that the ox between the shafts must have black and white spots on the body, a white star on the forehead and white stockings on all four legs, that the ox immediately in front must have a dun skin with black flecks, and that the other must be pure black. Much search was required to find the first of these three, but at last he was discovered in a remote place in the country, and the funeral arrangements were then carried out.

ORDER OF HOME HELPERS.

A Letter from Lady Aberdeen Outlining the Proposed Scheme.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

Sir,—At a public meeting held in Ottawa on Wednesday, February 10, at the instance of the National Council of Women of Canada, under the presidency of His Excellency the Governor General, the following resolution was unanimously passed, having been moved by Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, premier of the Dominion, and seconded by Hon. Clifford Sifton, minister of the interior:

"That this meeting heartily approves of the general character of the scheme described as the "Victorian Order of Home Helpers," as a mode of commoration by the Dominion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and that a fund be opened for the carrying out thereof."

The need that exists in country and remote districts throughout the Dominion for the services of trained practical women as district nurses seems to be universally admitted, and there appears to be a very general concensus of opinion that no better national scheme could be devised for commemorating Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee than the establishment on a permanent footing of a Victorian Order of public servants whose patriotic mission it would be to meet this want.

All candidates for this order will have to undergo an examination and be practically tested as to their fitness for the work which they are to undertake.

The standard for this examination and the tests to be undergone will be prescribed by medical men and others who understand the need which has to be met. It is proposed that the co operation of various hospitals and medical men in different parts of Canada be invited in carrying out the examination so that there may be convenient centres for all candidates.

Already such co operation has been heartily promised in several centres.

The examination will especially bear on the three following points: 1. A practical knowledge of midwifery, sufficient to attain a prescribed certificate. 2. A practical knowledge of first aid to the injured and of simple nursing. 3. A general knowledge of home keeping, simple home sanitation, with the ability of preparing suitable food for invalids.

It is proposed that no person under 28 or 30 years of age should be admitted into the order, and when admitted, an undertaking should be given to continue the work, providing health does not prevent it, for a period of not less than three years. A uniform will be provided, and a badge which may take the form of St. Andrew's cross, with the letters V. R.

Trained nurses who may desire to enter the order will be made very welcome. They will have to pass the examination and be personally approved by the committee.

Women who have already lived in these country districts, and who are respected, and have the confidence of their neighbors, would be preferable to any others, in many instances, and it would be well to encourage parishes and townships to choose some one whom they know, and send her down to one of the centres, where the necessary training could be given. Arrangements will be made whereby candidates can be enabled to obtain the necessary training.

Districts wanting to secure the services of a home helper will be required to raise a certain sum towards her maintenance, which they would undertake to give yearly to the central committee during her residence, or to provide suitable board and lodging for her, and means for conveyance. On application to the central committee a suitable helper will be selected for the district applying, and a grant would be given towards her expenses to meet the sum raised by the district, and her salary would be paid by the central committee.

It may be mentioned that the scheme has been most favorably received by the medical men to whom it has been mentioned, and their valuable co operation in carrying on this work will be anxiously sought for in all districts affected by the plan.

All arrangements should be made so that it should be considered an honor to belong to this order, and the members of it should be regarded as public servants.

Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen, having thought it but right to acquaint Her Majesty's secretary with the project that was being planned by the National Council has received the following telegram from Sir Arthur Biggs.

Osborne.

"In replying to your telegram, the Queen has refrained from expressing approval of any particular scheme for commemorating the diamond jubilee, through of course, any project for the relief of the sufferings of the sick in Canada will be assured of Her Majesty's sympathy."

(Signed) Biggs."

It is proposed, therefore, to open a fund for establishing such an order of home helpers in Canada. Not less than a million dollars should be raised to make the scheme effective. This would mean but a contribution of one dollar from every family in the Dominion.

The Bank of Montreal has kindly undertaken to receive subscriptions for the Victorian Order of Home Helpers in Canada, at any of their branches.

The local Councils of Women will undertake the collection wherever they are formed, with the co operation of others, and it is hoped that committees for the purpose will be organized in all districts, and Mrs. Edward Griffin, Russell house, Ottawa, has kindly consented to act as secretary treasurer.

Allow me to express the hope that you will bring before your readers the institution of this fund as a means whereby a suitable national commemoration of Her Majesty's diamond jubilee may be carried out by the people of the whole Dominion unitedly, and in a manner which will both be in accordance with the known wishes of the Queen, and be of permanent benefit to all parts of the country.

It will, of course, be observed that the carrying out of this scheme need in no way interfere with any local forms of commemoration which may be contemplated. I remain,

Yours faithfully,

ISHBEL ABERDEEN.

Government House, Ottawa Feb. 15.

Troops to Celebrate the Jubilee.

Most of the colonies have already accepted the invitation of the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain, to send representation of troops to London, Eng., for the Diamond Jubilee celebration, and it is expected greatly to enhance the attraction of processions. Canada, New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, New Zealand, the Cape Good Hope, Natal, Trinidad and Cyprus are sending cavalry. Troopers will be sent, some infantry and artillery coming from elsewhere, as far distant as Gold Coast, Georgetown and Hong Kong. A general officer will be appointed to command the whole force. Visitors will be housed in military barracks of the home districts.

It hurts the corns on the feet of some people much more to go to church than to market.

THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

CONDENSED FOR BUSY PEOPLE.

Short and Interesting Paragraphs that Treat of Men and Things in a General Way.

J. B. Lauzon was elected for St. Boniface by 180 majority.

Citizens of Windsor are agitating to cut off Detroit's natural gas supply.

A British syndicate are investing $2,500,000 in Lake of the Woods mines.

The abolition of government house will be discussed in the Ontario legislature.

The marine department is preparing a navigation chart of the Lake of the Woods.

A very large emigration from Ontario is expected by Manitoba immigration officials.

A $6,000,000 railway bridge, extensive docks and other works are proposed for Montreal.

The meeting of parliament on March 25th is gazetted.

Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. Dr. Borden are ill and unable to attend to their public duties.

The Bell telephone company has petitioned the Dominion government for power to increase the rates.

Senator Bechard, of St. Johns, Que., is seriusly ill and owing to his advanced age, his condition is considered critical.

It is rumored in Montreal that Hon. H. J. Macdonald will retire from federal politics and lead the opposition in the local house.

The city council of Toronto have passed unanimously a resolution calling on the Dominion government to build and operate the Crow's Nest pass railway.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature at Halifax to restrict the quantities of liquors which may be sold by wholesale dealers. The measure is said to stand a good chance of passing.

The Brothers of the Christain schools are preparing to vote at the forthcoming Quebec election, under the new provisions of the law, whereby teachers are qualified. Likely this example will be followed by many other religious orders of teachers in the province.

A by law granting the C. P. R. a bonus of $40,000 and partial exemption from taxation for twenty-one years, the company to build an elevator of 800,000 bushels capacity and new flour sheds to hold 30,000 barrels, has been carried at Owen Sound by a large majority.

A meeting of the provincial lumber dealers was held in Winnipeg recently, and among other business transacted was the revision of the price list, quotations being readjusted to meet local circumstances. While the prices in Winnipeg are unaffected, a reduction was made at several outside points.

William Travis, engineer at Smithson's carriage works, at Brantford, Ont., had the little finger of his right hand lacerated by a saw a few days ago. The doctors decided to amputate the finger at the second joint and administered chloroform before undertaking the operation. Travis died almost immediately from the effects of the chloroform.

In retaliation for the Corliss bill, Windsor, Ont., has adopted unanimously a by-law prohibiting the employment by contractors on public works, of any workmen, who have not resided in Windsor for six months continuously previous to his employment. Any violation of the act is to involve a penalty of $100. The council has also memorialized the Dominion government to pass an act providing against the employment of alien artizans and mechanics in Canada.

GEN. LEE RESIGNS.

Was Not Upheld in His Efforts to Protect American Citizens.

A dispatch from Havana says that Consul General Lee has resigned. The letter tendering his resigntaion under certain conditions goes by the next mail. He determined some days ago to take such steps if not upheld in his efforts to protect American citizens in Cuba. The general asked the state department to be authorized to demand the release of citizens of the United States confined in Cuban prisons under the same illegal circumstances as the ill-fated Ruiz. Such authorization was not granted.

The Spanish warships in Cuban waters are concentrating in the harbor at Havana. It is regarded as very significant in view of the important incidents of the last few days.

Great pressure is being brought to bear to make Consul General Lee deny the Herald, Jacksonville, dispatch to the effect that the diplomatic representative of the United States in Havana asked the government to send warships to the Cuban waters. As a pretext of such denial and a basis on which it could be founded, it is stated that according to the dispatch Lee only asked for a warship to take him to the United States.

What the general did do was to ask for warships to support him in his efforts to protect Americans in peril of their lives and American interests in jeopardy.

Great anxiety is felt at the palace and all official circles at news from Cienfuegos, which states that the city is the centre of serious mutiny of the Spanish troops. A large arrears of pay is due the army in Cuba, and discontent caused by this culminated in open disobedience in the Spanish ranks in Cienfuegos district.

$100,000 for a Suit of Clothes.

A well-known business man of Portland, Ore., just back from a trip in Idaho, vouches for the truth of this story of good luck: "About two weeks ago, a miner offered Morris Yenzel, a Moscow, Idaho, tailor, a handful of mining stocks for a suit of clothes. Yenzel refused that sort of currency in payment for his labor and goods on the ground that he had no luck in stocks. He remarked that five years ago a miner gave him five thousand shares of stock then supposed to be worth one cent a share, for a suit of clothing. He never realized anything on the stock. The miner said that if it had been Leroi stock it would have made him rich. The tailor was startled and replied he was quite certain that that was the name of the stock. He could not remember what he did with it, as he never expected it to amount to anything. A few days later Yenzel went to the suspended Moscow National bank for an insurance policy and some other papers deposited there, among which he found the missing 5,000 shares of Leroi stock, now quoted at $8 a share with accrued dividends. The Leroi mine owners have been negotiating with an English syndicate for the sale of the property, but the latter declined to accept without a transfer of every share of stock so far issued. This lot of 5,000 shares was long advertised for, but now there will be no obstacle to the sale of the property if the owners come to Yenzel's terms. He demands $20 a share or $100,000 for the whole, and will probably get it."

A WAR OF REVENGE.

A War Correspondent Says Gomez is Revenging the Death of His Son.

In an interview with a Madrid correspondent of El Liberal, Senor Luis Morote, who was a prisoner in General Gomez's camp on the 14th and 15th instant, said: "I left the village of Sancti Spiritus with the intention of ascertaining the condition of forts outside the village. The evening was dark and I became separated from my escort. I was discovered by rebel scouts, captured, and conducted to General Gomez's camp. General Gomez became quite furious, calling my act one of strange boldness. I tried to explain my presence, alleging that I desired to talk about the situation of the revolution with General Gomez. The General refused to talk on the subject and threatened to have me shot." A court martial was organized to try Morote's case. Senor Morote made a personal defence. It looked for a time as if the prisoner would be condemned to die. The tide was turned by the interference of Col. Gordon, an American. He said that if the prisoner was executed he would immediately abandon the cause of the revolution. "Do not scandalize us," he said. "We cannot become assassins by shooting war correspondents." Great excitement followed these remarks, and the prisoner was released. The officers said that the bad treatment of Morote by Gomez was due to the fact that Gomez had become desperate on account of the death of his son, and his desire for revenge.

Morote eulogizes all of Gomez's officers for their conduct toward him. He says that they confided that is necessary that the war must soon come to an end. The officers did not manifest any hatred towards Spaniards in general, but they were bitter against the Spanish politicians for their errors and lack of consideration. Miguel Itovarona, aide de camp to Maximo Gomez said that the officers dare not say anything against the independence of Cuba, the edict of General Gomez making such an act punishable with death, but from the general tone of their conversation he gathered that they favored an immediate settlement of the war. Morote says that Gomez is making the war not one of emancipation, but of revenge for the death of his son.

The sudden disappearance of General Carlos Roloff, secretary of war of the Cuban republic, whose bail was forfeited at Baltimore, gave rise to the report that another expedition had started to Cuba, under his command. Although the greatest secrecy is maintained in the office of the junta about the affair, the fact that General Roloff is now off to Cuba was confirmed by some prominent Cubans. How he slipped away is a matter which the Spanish consulate is trying to discover through the detectives in its service. The expedition is in fact the most important that has ever gone to Cuba, and if it lands safely there, it will be a tremendous blow to the cause of Spain. It carries 8000 rifles, three cannon, two repeating guns of an improved make, firing each 100 shots a minute, with the advantage that the firing can be stopped at will, and a quantity of explosives equal to all that had been sent to Cuba before. All the money collected by the Cuban delegation after the death of Maceo, has been spent on the expedition and more besides. The general cost was estimated at about $300,000. Among the Cubans it is believed that the fate of the revolution depends in a great part on General Roloff's success. If he is captured by the Spanish boats there is no doubt that the cause of Cuba will suffer considerably.

THE PLAGUE IN BOMBAY.

Extract From a Letter by Missionary Norman Russell.

The following extract is from a letter by Rev. Norman H. Russell, Mhow, Central India on the eve of his departure for Canada, and tells of the effects of the plague in Bombay:

January 21st. 1897—"How Providential it is that we are going via Calcutta, for the plague is so bad in Bombay that all the steamers are likely to be quarantined. What this plague will develop into no one can tell. It is very bad just now. Business is almost at a standstill in Bombay. More than half the city has fled away to other parts of India. Many of the busy streets are now said to be quite empty. People flee in a hurry. The death officers who go round whitewashing the houses in the plague district, sometimes force their way into the closed houses of those who have fled, and find dead bodies within, which have been left suddenly by their relatives. The plague has broken out in Karachi and Ajmere. We have had sporadic cases in several parts of India, but they seem to be of those who have been in Bombay. Strange to say they cannot find the cause of the plague. It seems to be connected with the death of the rats which have been found dead in millions in Bombay. In fact, few rats are now to be found, so they say. The head surgeon in one of the hospitals, and several Europeans, including a professor in Wilson college have died of the plague. It seems to be a visitation from God. May we realize His hand and listen to His voice. Mrs. Drew's—wife of a missionary in Mhow—two daughters are nurses in the hospital in Bombay. One of them was called to nurse the doctor who died of the plague, but she could not go. The nurse who did go died also. I am glad to say that the famine is not very bad here, though the price of grain is high. The crops seem fair, except wheat; but of course, the famine elsewhere causes high prices here."

AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT.

President Cisneris and Gen. Gomez Write to the N. Y. "World."

The New York World publishes under the head of "The most important document in the Cuban war," an autograph letter written to that paper by Salvator Cisneris, president of the provisional government of the Cubans, and countersigned by Maximo Gomez, the general-in chief.

The letter was approved by the so-called cabinet of the provisional government and bears the seal of the infant republic. It is as follows:

"At the request of your correspondent we have the greatest pleasure in answering the following questions: 'Do you believe that the war can be ended on the basis of indendence by the payment of an indemnity by Cuba to Spain with the United States as arbitrator?'

"On this basis of independence it will be possible to enter into negotiations. These should provide for the evacuation of the island by the Spanish and for the future relations between Spain and the new Cuban republic. We believe there should also be included an indemnity to be paid Spain, provided the amount is reasonable. This would be honorable, practicable and good for all.

"But if done, it should be done as soon as possible. The indemnity should prevent the further loss of blood and money, and it would save the economic resources of people who have sworn to the complete destruction of the island before they will submit to the dominion of Spain. Each day that passes adds fresh hatred and devastation. Soon the producing capacity of the country will be destroyed. Cuba can pay less as time passes not only because each moment she earns less, and it will be increasingly difficult for her to fulfil the stipulations and agreements she is now able to make.

"The indemnity to Spain should take the form of acknowledgment and guarantee by Cuba of a part of the debt already contracted by Spain or the payment of a sum in bonds or in money to Spain.

"We would not deem it inadvisable for the United States to intervene as arbitrators or semi-officially as the friends of both sides, providing always that the island of Cuba shall not sacrifice thereby her own sovereignty.

We are yours in the greatest consideration.

SALVATOR CISNORIS.
MAXIMO GOMEZ.

Dagomal, Sancti Espiritu, Jan. 27, 1897.

LAKE WINNIPEG GOLD.

Many Claims Have been Filed by Prospectors From That District.

The gold excitement on the eastern shore of Lake Winnipeg still continues, and in spite of the great depth of snow prevailing in that region, prospectors are in the field and claims are being staked out daily. A large number of applications have been made to the Dominion lands office at Winnipeg for claims, which together with the claims staked cover almost the whole extent of the country from the Rat Creek to the Split Rock River, a distance of some miles. As the rate of communication with these points is necessarily very slow in winter, many claims are taken of which no record has yet been made. Mr. John Melvin, who returned from the district only a few weeks ago, says that there are two series of veins half a mile apart, and running parallel for a distance of two miles. There are five veins in each of these groups, which are now all taken. The ore is free milling and assays are high in some parts. Twelve claims were taken last week on the Bird River, a district first brought into prominence some years ago. This is in the same mineral belt as Rat Portage and lies between the Lake Winnipeg claims and those made at Hawk Lake. At Hawk Lake some twenty-five claims have been filed and great things are expected from this district during the coming season. Miners who have spent years in the Rat Portage district say that the claims at Hawk Lake are the richest yet discovered.

Some Winnipeg gentlemen are negotiating for the establishment of a reduction works at Selkirk to treat Lake Winnipeg ores.

THE "BLAZE OF GLORY TRAIN."

How the Chicago Republican Club Will Travel.

The Chicago Republican club will go to the inauguration at Washington in a body, 1,000 strong. The members will travel in a special train, "The Blaze of Glory," and their progress over the Pennsylvania road will be marked by one long stream of electric illuminations, fireworks and searchlights.

Already over $10,000 has been expended on the preparations for this unique demonstration. "The Blaze of Glory" feature will be in charge of Prof. Frank Gardner and sixty assistants. The train will move at the rate of fifty miles an hour, and as it sweeps through the country it will be so illuminated as to appear like a radiant vari colored meteor.

From the locomotive to the rear car the coaches will be decorated with thousands of red, white and blue electric lights, lycopodian torches, and a searchlight will send its signals of prosperity to the country people for miles around. The coaches will be named after people prominent in local and national politics, including Lyman J. Gage, George B. Swift, W. E. Mason, Gov. Tanner, C. G. Dawes, Mark Hanna, Lincoln, Grant, Logan, etc. The compound mogul engine "Prosperity," will be headed by a huge portrait of McKinley.

The club will leave Chicago at 8 p. m. on March 2. At Canton the train will stop for five hours, and the streets of the town will witness the last parade previous to the inauguration.

When Washington is reached the members of the club will march in black suits, badges and umbrellas to the Ebbitt house, where they will pay their respects to Mr. McKinley. During their two days' stay in Washington the visitors will use their Pullman cars for lodgings, but will have a suite of rooms at the Ebbitt House for headquarters.

The club is to have a conspicuous position in the inauguration parade.

TO DESTROY WOLVES.

Wyoming Man Devises a Plan to Rid Ranchmen of Their Foes.

For many years the ranchmen of Wyoming have been trying to devise schemes for exterminating or partially reducing the wolves which annually destroy thousands of dollars worth of young cattle, particularly sheep. Bounties on scalps were found to be too slow and many ranchmen employed regularly a force of men to poison the pests.

Emil Stritz has finally arranged a plan of inoculation that he has demonstrated will soon destroy all the wolves in the West. He has a poison that, when introduced into the system of a wolf, produces hydrophobia within ten days. He has captured a number in traps and experimented with them. The result is that they have rushed into the hills and are supposed to spread the plague among all of their kind. He has released a number of these victims and they have been heard from, or at least wolves showing undeniable traces of hydrophobia have been seen in various sections.

The inventor is a young man and is working to have the Stockmen's Association contract with him for the extermination of all the wolves in the state. The chief obstacle to the agreement is his inability to give the stockmen assurance that the wolves will not in turn bite the stock and spread the disease all over the range, with the most disastrous results to all kinds of stock.

Locked in a Cold Storage.

Fred Uffert is night watchman in a packing house at Alton, Ill., and the other night he had an adventure which he is not likely to forget for the rest of his life. About two o'clock in the morning he heard a noise in the office while on duty, and went to investigate. As he walked in two masked men covered him with revolvers, and making him lie down on the floor, they bound him hand and foot. Then they carried him to the cold storage room and locked him in. Having thus disposed of him, they proceeded to drill a hole in the safe, fill it with dynamite, and touch it off. The explosion did not open the inner doors of the safe, and the noise evidently scared the burglars, for they ran away forgetting all about Uffert. About noon that day some of the employees had occasion to go to the cold storage room, and when they opened the door they found the watchman lying on the floor, frozen stiff. He was taken out and thawed out sufficiently to tell his story, although his permanent recovery is a matter of doubt.

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7 50a	2 28p	‡St Norbert	1 25p	7 35p
7 30a	2 14p	‡Cartier	1 37p	7 55p
6 59a	1 55p	‡St Agathe	1 55p	8 23p
6 45a	1 46p	‡Union Point	2 03p	8 35p
6 22a	1 35p	‡Silver Plains	2 14p	8 54p
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6 34p	12 18p	‡Myrtle	[illegible]	[illegible]
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5 27p	11 51a	‡Rosebank	3 55p	[illegible]
4 58p	11 37a	Miami	4 09p	[illegible]
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3 20p	11 04a	‡Alamont	[illegible]	11 45a
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9 22a	8 35a	Wawanesa	7 2 p	6 02p
8 54a	8 2 a	‡Elliotts	7 32p	[illegible]
8 29a	8 11a	Rounthwaite	7 45p	[illegible]
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CHAPTER XV—FACE TO FACE.

Jera Le Britta reached the bustling little town where the lawyer of the Vernon estates resided late that same evening, but went to the village hotel and deferred calling upon him till the following day.

Exhausted nature played the photographer a sad trick, however. He slept beyond the anticipated hour, and with no little trepidation observed that it was after ten o'clock the following morning when he awoke.

Refreshed, however, by his long recuperating sleep, and fortified by a hearty breakfast, Le Britta started forth, his head clear, his energies revivified, his courage dauntless, to enter the lists against the ex-tramp and schemer, who sat like some bird of ill omen brooding over the fortunes of Hawthorne villa.

Disappointment baffled his efforts to find the lawyer. The latter was at court at an adjoining village. Le Britta decided to go there after him. Then, on second reflection, he determined to await his return, and then, a sudden idea coming to his mind, he started with resolute face and a confident heart in the direction of Hawthorne villa itself.

"Yes, I'll risk it!" he soliloquized. "It can do no possible harm. It may be my final interview with Ralph Durand, and as I am in no wise afraid of him, I will give him a bit of wholesome advice, if nothing more. I hold a weapon in my hand which may frighten, unman him, drive him away. The effect of the photograph upon him will be a guide as to our future movements."

Cogitating over this course, Le Britta reached the villa. He paused at its gate to regard several persons in the garden.

One was the redoubtable Ralph Durand himself. He was arrayed in flashy garments, and his flushed, brutal face, early as was the hour, showed unmistakable evidences of intoxication. He was ordering two servants to do some work about the garden.

"Rip up those beastly roses!" he commanded, "and pull away those hideous vines from the veranda. We want no sentimental gewgaws of shrubbery about here."

Le Britta's eyes flashed with indignation, as he realized the power of this uncultured boor to destroy Gladys' beloved flowers. Calming himself, however, for the impending interview he was determined to precipitate, he opened the gate and walked up the graveled path.

"Hello!" ejaculated Durand, staring insolently at his visitor; "you here!"

"As you see," responded Le Britta, quietly.

Durand's brow grew dark and forbidding as a thunder-cloud.

"I thought I ordered you to remain off these premises," he continued, in an insulting, aggressive tone of voice.

"You did."

"You'd better obey me!"

"I have business here, sir."

"You have what?"

"Business—urgent, important, personal."

"Out with it then!"

"Not here. I wish to see you alone."

"Oh, that's it!" muttered Durand. "I don't see what 'business' you can have with me! I'm king here now. The law can deal with that meddler Vance, and as to Gladys, if you've come to intercede for her, it's no use. I'm her legally appointed guardian. Let her come back and behave herself, and it's all right."

"I have come on behalf of neither of the persons you name," spoke Le Britta. "As to Gladys, she will never, I am assured, return while you are here. As to Sydney Vance—no one seems to know where he is."

"Don't, eh!" sneered Durand, coarsely. "No, unless it is yourself."

The shot told. Durand changed color. He clenched his hands angrily, then, repressing the natural antagonistic instincts of his quarrelsome nature, he said insolently:—

"Well, come in, and get through with this 'business' of yours as quickly as you can. Your room is better than your company in my house, I can tell you that!"

Jera Le Britta subdued the rising anger and indignation he felt with a master mind. He realized the uselessness of heeding or retaliating for the insults heaped upon him by his half-intoxicated host. He had come to fulfil a mission, and he comprehended that Durand's condition was favorable to the hoped-for outcome of the interview he projected.

Durand led the way to the room where Le Britta had first seen dead Gideon Vernon. He threw himself into an arm-chair, and frowned at his visitor.

"Go ahead!" he ordered.

"I have come to see you," announced Le Britta—"to warn you."

"To what?" sneered Durand.

"To warn you," repeated Le Britta, solemnly.

"Of what?"

"Of your peril, of the future. Ralph Durand, I shall waste no words upon you. I know that you substituted an evaporating acid for ink, and reduced Gideon Vernon's last lawful will and testament to worthlessness."

The hardened knave in the luxurious armchair had the audacity to chuckle at this bold statement.

"Good!" he jeered, disdainfully. "Go on."

"You murdered Gideon Vernon"—

Durand started violently.

"You know what has become of Sidney Vance. You are plotting to wreck this estate for your own personal benefit during the term of your guardianship."

"Anything else?" queried Durand, placidly.

"Is that not enough? Are you human, to sit there, heartless, sneering, merciless while the rightful owner of this home is a wanderer and an outcast!" cried Le Britta indignantly.

"Do you want my answer in plain words?" ground out Durand.

"Yes if you are capable of telling the truth."

"I have the power to order you to be ejected from this house like the insolent meddler and intruder you are," spoke Durand, angrily, "but I am getting used to what people say about me. All I have to say is comprised in two little words."

"And they are?"

"Prove it!"

Aye, prove it! Jera Le Britta recognized the strong citadel of non-committal and defiance behind which this heartless knave had entrenched himself. He did not show his chagrin, however. He arose from his chair, advanced to the table, leaned one hand impressively upon it, and fixing an unwavering glance straight upon the face of his sneering companion, he said, gravely and resolutely:—

"I will!"

Ralph Durand stirred uneasily. His glance shifted. He knew that he had a determined man to deal with.

"Section by section, fact by fact, I will!" continued Le Britta, energetically. "I tell you, Ralph Durand, that ere a month is passed, sure as the sun shines I will know the truth of all your plottings."

"Then why do you come here!" snorted Durand, incredulously.

"To prove my words. First and foremost, there is the will. Your scheming destroyed it—your deft knowledge of subtle chemicals enabled you to retain your power as guardian of Gladys Vernon."

"Under a valid, existing will, yes," replied Durand.

"Which the new will recalled and vitiated. That will is destroyed, but!"—

Le Britta paused. He wished his antagonist to feel the full power of his disclosures. The latter could not conceal his interest and suspense. His lips twitched nervously, and the vivid emotion he experienced began to undermine the false strength given him by the liquor of which he had partaken.

"That will exists," concluded Jera Le Britta. "I can swear, Gladys Vernon, the witness, the old housekeeper, can swear that such a will was made. A court of justice would believe us. What then would you say if I told you that despite your machinations that will still exists!"

"I don't believe it!" gasped the now thoroughly startled and affrighted Ralph Durand, his features turning ashen in their hue.

"I speak the truth. Word for word I can read it to you. Line for line I can show it to you."

The plotter began to tremble. He had dabbled in chemicals successfully. Suppose this man Le Britta had exceeded his skill?

A thousand possible complications ran riot in his brain. Had they restored the faded writing? Had he blundered somewhere along the line?

"I don't believe it!" he repeated his voice a hoarse faint monotone. "You have a copy—the counterpart of the will itself? Bah! you seek to frighten me. You have it!"

"Yes."

Pitiless' convincing as the stroke of doom the answer sounded.

"You can show it to me?"

"I can."

"Where is it?"

With a mighty sweep of his hand Jera Le Britta brought it down across his breast pocket and uttered the single ominous word:

"Here!"

CHAPTER XVI—THE CHRONICLE OF THE CAMERA.

"Here!" The word revealed volumes. A plain-spoken straightforward man in every-day life, Jera Le Britta could inject force, expression and emotion into a word, when his heart was in its utterance.

In the present instance, he realized that its effect might mean the salvation of fugitive Gladys Vernon; he comprehended that once to unman the scheming knave before him, to throw him off his guard, to hold him even for one quivering moment of time at his mercy meant confession, weakness, the possession of those vital facts only outlined now in his mind as vague conjectures.

Slowly Le Britta unbuttoned his dress coat. As his well formed chest and sinewy hands exerted themselves, the craven Durand shrank back, physically as well as morally cowed before the preponderating influence of his opponent's strength.

Jera Le Britta drew the packet containing the precious glass negative from his pocket.

Carefully he undid its covering. Wrap by wrap it was unfolded, until, finally, reaching the last envelope and the straw board sheets that enclosed it, he drew the little piece of glass into view.

"Here," he spoke, calmly, "is the evidence of your iniquity, the proof that Gideon Vernon made a will revoking the power reposed in you by a former one. Why do I show it to you? Shall I tell you?"

"" gurgled in Durand's throat.

"Because I wish to avoid scandal, litigation. Because I wish to give you a final chance to atone for your past wrong-doing. When I have shown it to you, when I have plainly irrefutably convinced you that it with my evidence will rescind your powers, and rescue this fair estate and its fairer rightful legatee from your machinations you can resign your trust."

"And if I refuse?"

"The law will be appealed to."

"Show your boasted proofs!"

"I will. Behold!"

Advancing to within two feet of the gaping trembling Durand the photographer placed the glass negative so that the light could shine through it.

In brief terse sentences he related how it had come into his possession. In calm measured tones he followed the craven's eyes and read the chronicle of the camera.

It was a strange repetition of the last will and testament of dead Gideon Vernon. The schemer, stared listened, trembled. He was a bold defiant knave when he held the reins of power but just now he seemed to realize the weakness of his position.

The effect of the revelation upon Durand was far more startling and satisfactory than Le Britta had hoped to accomplish. His experiment was a complete success.

Ashen-faced, baffled, criminal Ralph Durand became convulsed like a man in the incipient stages of paroxysm.

"Show it to me!" he hissed hoarsely flinging out his trembling hands. "Let me read inspect for myself."

"No."

With one hand Le Britta forcibly pushed back the all too eager knave.

Not for a moment would he trust that precious article the tell-tale negative in his unscrupulous hands.

He placed the little piece of glass upon the table slanting it against two books so that as a perpetual menace fully visible to Durand it might continue to impress and influence him.

Then he strode between it and the baffled villain, who glared alternately at it and its owner.

"Bah! a trick to frighten me" gurgled in Durand's throat.

"You know better" responded Le Britta sternly. "Your face betrays you, your trembling frame reveals your terror. your conviction. That is proof one. It disposes of the will affair. I ask you ere I proceed further to here and now resign your trust as Gladys Vernon's guardian.

Durand did not reply. He felt that he could gain nothing by a confession or a compromise. This calm, resolute man meant what he said. Divest him of power of guardianship, what guarantee had Durand that his next step would not be to land him in a felon's cell as the murderer of Gideon Vernon?

He calculated silently the chances of defeating Le Britta's designs. He realized the full value of that tell-tale negative. Proficient in all the quirks and turns of the law, he knew that the negative, together with Le Britta's verbal story of the making and disappearance of the new will, and his own unsavory reputation, would evoke the interest, suspicion and mediation of a court of justice, if nothing more, and cause a rigid surveillance of his actions as guardian.

In other words, the negative frightened him. It was a powerful weapon in the hands of a determined adversary, but the old crafty expression returned to those sinister eyes, as Durand recalled Le Britta's story of the accidental discovery of the picture in the camera.

"Well, what have you to say?" demanded the photographer.

Durand smiled—a ghastly, sickly smile. The corners of his mouth twitched nervously, his brow furrowed with disquietude and uncertainty.

"Say?" he gulped. "Why, you've played me a trump card."

"Ah! you confess that, do you?"

"Yes. I suppose old Vernon's lawyer just chuckled over your discovery."

This was a clever feeler—a hint to lead on his antagonist to reveal more that the schemer wished to know.

Blunt, straightforward, the honest and honorable Le Britta was no match for his adroit foe in the line of tactics the latter had resolved to adopt. Confident in his strength and the integrity of his position, he did not discern the trap into which Durand was leading him.

"The lawyer?" he repeated, vaguely.

"Yes."

"I have not shown it to the lawyer yet."

Ralph Durand's eyes glittered with a fierce, sinister triumph. That innocent admission raised his depressed hopes like magic.

"Nor the doctor, either, I suppose?" he ventured.

"Nor the doctor, either.

"Why, continued the crafty schemer, leading his opponent on deftly, "I should have thought that the first thing to do after you discovered your vaunted clue to all my guilt and your own superb smartness"—here he sneered audibly, the more effectually to throw Le Britta off his guard and distract him from guessing his true intentions—"I should have thought that the first thing you did was to perfect your negative, print a score of copies, and send them to the judge, the lawyer, all your friends and my enemies!"

"No," spoke Le Britta, bluntly. "I hastened here at once to see if I could not reason you into the right thing. There is time abundant to attend to all that."

"Is there?"

Ralph Durand half arose in the arm-chair. His shrinking helplessness slowly became the crouching attitude of a tiger posing for a sudden spring.

"Yes, an abundance of time. But, we waste words"—

"And that picture, that half-developed negative, is all the chronicle you have of this alleged will?"

"Is it not enough?"

"It might get lost, disfigured, broken."

"I shall see to that."

"I have an offer to make you."

"Indeed!"

"Yes."

"What is it?" demanded Le Britta, suspiciously.

"I will buy it of you."

"!"

"Yes. I offer you for that little piece of glass one thousand dollars cash. Come, be reasonable! You are concerning yourself in the welfare of people you scarcely know. Take the thousand dollars, deliver up the negative, and leave people to fight their own battles."

Jera Le Britta flushed scarlet.

"You insulting scoundrel," he cried, with flashing eyes, his fists slowly closing and unclosing. "You deserve an honest man's best efforts at thrashing you. Enough! I will dally no longer with you. I take my evidence of your guilt to the courts of justice."

"No, you never will!"

The declaration was a ringing hiss. Quick as a flash, Ralph Durand sprang forward. He had but one idea in his mind—to reach the precious negative, secure and destroy it.

Upon it hinged all his hopes of fortune; he knew it, he realized it fully.

His move, sudden as it was, however, was interrupted by the guarded Le Britta.

The photographer divined his purpose. He met the fierce onward rush of the scoundrel ere he was half-way to the table; he seized him by the shoulders.

Ralph Durand was a powerful man, an adroit man, too, in tricks likely to baffle and beat an unwary foe.

The man however who had never weakened a splendid constitution with over-indulgence in liquors and tobacco was fully a match for a rum-wrecked nicotine-poisoned adversary.

Seizing Durand by the shoulders he fairly flung him straight back into the arm-chair he had just left with a shock that made the craven's jaws come together like the springs of a steel trap.

There he sat a picture of baffled villainy, a huddled-up mass of breathless jarred humanity.

"You sit still if you are wise!" warned the photographer sternly. "Once more and for the last time, will you resign your trust as guardian of Gladys Vernon, go your way until the law finds you out for some new villainy, or shall I take that negative to a court of law and force you to do so?"

"Give me time to think!" pleaded the breathless, baffled Durand.

He sat scowling, trembling with rage, his eyes glaring balefully at the man who had beaten him back at every point.

Watching him wearily, Le Britta awaited his decision.

Suddenly Durand sprang to his feet; just near to hand was the fireplace, and lying across its fender was a short, heavy iron poker.

This he had seized, this he now waved above his head.

"Never!" he fairly yelled. "If I give in in one point, you will hound me down in a dozen. Never! never! never!"

He poised the iron missile. Le Britta, supposing that he meditated a murderous assault upon himself, dodged, advanced, sought to get near enough to his nimble foe to disarm him.

The poker swayed aloft, cutting the air in a swooping circle until it whizzed like a minnie ball.

Then it left the hand of the rascal but not to descend on the head of his unarmed foe.

No, with a groan of alarm and startled dismay, too late Jera Le Britta comprehended the full sinister purpose of his foe.

The glass negative, not its possessor was the source of all Ralph Durand's interest just then.

The whirling missile of iron swept clear past Le Birtta's dodging head; it grazed the table, straight as an arrow struck the tilted fac-simile of Gideon Vernon's last will and testament.

Crash!

The next moment the precious glass negative was shattered into a thousand pieces!

CHAPTER XVII—A NEW SURPRISE.

"You scoundrel!"

Fairly blinded with anger, the dismayed and routed Le Britta sprang forward to wreak summary vengeance on the sly, dissimulating rogue who had baffled his skill completely.

With a groan of anguish the photographer comprehended the terribly disastrous denouement of the scene that had begun with an augury of certain triumph.

Ralph Durand had sank back into the arm-chair, with the gloating, exultant face of a fiend rampant and satisfied.

"Ha! ha!" he chuckled, jeeringly, "who is master now, my smart picture peddler? Your work goes for nought!"

"Wretch!"

"Let me see, I offered you one thousand dollars for your picture. I would not give one thousand cents just now! Gather up the fragments, my over-sanguine meddler! They will sell for old glass."

Le Britta was too overcome to speak. The helplessness of his position, the wild victory of his opponent, the uselessness of further discussion all occurred to his mind, as a glance at the glass-littered carpet showed the wreck and ruin wrought by the well-directed iron missile in the brawny hand of Ralph Durand.

He glared once at the scoundrel, whom he could have annihilated with a look. Then, turning, he slowly walked from the room and the house, uttering a single bitter, ominous, echoing word of warning—

"Wait!"

Ralph Durand laughed mockingly and gleefully. He rubbed his hardened palms together, he gloated over his enemy's downfall, he chuckled, he capered.

Long after Le Britta had got out of sight of the villa, he sang and danced, and poured down liberal potations of fiery brandy, little reckoning of a change destined to come over the spirit of his dreams ere many days of his worthless, scheming existence had passed away.

As to Le Britta, that tramp back to the village was the bitterest walk of his life. He blamed himself for all that had occurred. He reproached and deprecated now the blind over-confidence that, tempting him single-handed to oppose a crafty foe had led him into the greatest error of his life.

But all that was past now and added to pity for wandering Gladys and his keen sense of justice was a smarting sense of defeat that spurred him on to take up anew the cudgel against Ralph Durand as a personal foe against whom he bore an especial personal grievance.

What should he do what could he do? The old will giving Durand full control of the Vernon fortune and therefore an undisputed censorship over Gladys Vernon herself could never be annulled now. The unscrupulous swindler was free by clear sanction of the law and Gideon Vernon's expression of utter confidence in his power to wreck this royal estate, render its rightful legatee an outcast, and defy her helpless friends.

Oh! it was bitter, torturing, cruel to realize; and, worst of all, the object of his persecutions, Gladys, was a wanderer, a fugitive. Her lover, Sydney Vance, had disappeared, and the threads of their lives commingled in a tangled skein the solution to which the crafty Durand alone possessed.

There was an element of the indomitable and stubborn in Jera Le Britta's nature. It had marked important and vital issues in his life in the past. Just now it spurred him on to action. His duty was to return home. He had done all he could to right a great wrong and had failed but he could not confess himself beaten; he could not endure the thought that he had undertaken a great task and had failed in its accomplishment and must perforce shrink from the field with drooping colors.

"I will learn the truth. I will evolve consistency from this tangled complication!" he uttered forcibly, and just arrived at that conclusion he came face to face at the edge of the town with the village lawyer.

Mr. Munson greeted him cordially, more than that, effusively. His thoughtful eyes glowed with excitement as he intuitively traced in Le Britta's presence there a subtle connection with the Vernon interests."

"What news?" he queried expectantly.

"None of any great cheer or encouragement" replied the photographer in a depressed tone. "And you?"

"The doctor and myself have sent a detective to trace and bring back poor Gladys."

"Has he found her?"

"Not yet. Another officer is looking out for her lover Sydney Vance. Rome was not built in a day. It takes time to follow an obscure trail. We shall have some word shortly."

"I hope so" murmured Le Britta. "I have something to tell you."

"Yes?"

"But not of a very inspiriting nature."

"Your face tells me that."

Le Britta related his story of the discovery and fate of the glass negative

The lawyer looked startled at thrilling recital.

"Too bad!" he commenced when the photographer had completed his graphic narrative; "too bad indeed!"

"The negative was an important clue?"

"Decisive I should say; but we won't cry over spilled milk. That scoundrel of a Durand is a desperate man but we shall catch him napping yet."

"I doubt it."

"The sleekest rogues forget to bar their doors, sometimes."

"He is always on his guard."

"You talk hopelessly."

"Of finding out something by remaining quiescent?—Yes. I believe in personal effort, Mr. Munson; I do not pretend to any particular detective ability, but I am going to try to see what I can do by watching this knave. For all we know, he has tracked Gladys. He may have her a captive somewhere, he may connive at her death. He may have some scheme to later come in and inherit or claim the property personally. The stake he plays for is a large one, and he will win, if left undisturbed."

The lawyer looked impressed and serious.

"You are talking sense, Mr. Le Britta," he remarked, gravely.

"Of course," pursued the photographer, "I am a comparative stranger to Miss Vernon, but I have a heart, sympathies, that impel me to do my duty. I must, I shall, find this poor girl. I cannot rest until I know her fate. I shall make all my arrangements to devote a week, or months if need be, in her behalf."

"In other words, you will personally take up the trail!"

"Yes."

The lawyer's eyes sparkled with genuine admiration, and he grasped Le Britta's hand warmly.

"You are a noble man, Mr. Le Britta!" he murmured, with strong emotion. "I can rely on you. Command my co-operation and my bank account. I feel now that we will succeed."

Once started on a case, Jera Le Britta was a hard man to dissuade from his strive to locate the missing Sydney Vance."

"And not Gladys?" ejaculated the lawyer, surprised.

"No; for she, I am sanguine, is resolute in hiding from friend and foe alike. Vance, on the contrary, I feel sure, is a prisoner in the power of Ralph Durand, or has been murdered by him. Fasten such a crime on Durand, or find Vance and get his story of the death of Gideon Vernon, and we have a tangible basis to proceed upon. Then, Durand once deposed, do not fear but that Gladys will return. She will be watching the outcome of events at Hawthorne villa from a distance, rest assured of that."

"The best-laid plans of men and mice gang oft agley!" however, as Jera Le Britta realized that evening.

For, on the eve of devoting all his energies toward probing the great Vernon mystery personally, that very evening the clerk at the hotel handed him a sealed envelope.

It was a telegraphic dispatch and was dated that afternoon from his home.

"Return at once" read the mystifying message. "Vernon case. Important."

And it was signed, stranger still, by his old-time friend Dr. Richard Milton.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

She Knew Him.

The electric light from a burner shaded with crinkled silk streamed through the wide open windows into the dark blueness of the sultry autumn dusk. The atmosphere was acrid with the smell of some powerful disinfectant. On a narrow bed of black walnut, pulled well into the middle of the room, lay a woman, and beside her, both her pale hands in his, and his head bowed down upon them, knelt a man.

"Robert," remarked the woman, "I am now on my deathbed. I have tried to be a good and true wife, and I have only two favors to ask of you before I depart from this life."

"You have only to name them, darling," replied the sobbing husband.

"The first one is that you will never touch another drop of liquor as long as you live."

"Not a drop!"

"The second and last one is that you promise that you'll never marry again."

"I never shall, darling."

"Oh, Robert, I could now die in peace if I didn't know you were such a big liar!"—New York Sunday Journal.

Not His Lay.

Elderly Friend—Be prudent and economical, young man, and every time you get a nickel put it away.

Young Man—I don't believe my circumstances would permit me to get wealthy that way.

E. F.—Why not?

Y. M.—Because I'm not a street car conductor.—Adams Freeman.

A Quick Turn.

"That woman over there looks as if she were painted!"—

"Sir, that is my wife!"

"I had not finished my sentence. She looks as if she were painted by Raphael and had just stepped out of the frame."—Clips.

Wholly Vindictive.

"It is shameful!" exclaimed the actress to whom the manager star owed money. "But I will get even with him some time."

"What do you propose to do? Sue him?"

"And give him the benefit of all that advertising? Never!"—Washington Star

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Messrs. T. Milburn & Co., Toronto, Ont.

Gentlemen.—Some two weeks ago I obtained a box of your Heart and Nerve Pills from our popular druggist, Mr. E. Scarlett, of Dundas, and I can now unhesitatingly say that they have been very beneficial to me in relieving an obstinate and old standing complaint affecting my heart and nerves. I was troubled with the well known symptoms of heart and nerve trouble, such as sleeplessness, dizziness, palpitation, neuralgic and other pains for such a long time that I had really given up hope of a cure. Now, out of gratitude to this remedy, and so others may learn of its virtues, I give my unsolicited testimony.

There is no cure so good for heart and nerve troubles as Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. This is my honest opinion. My wife is also using this remedy with great success for fluttering of the heart. (Signed) J. D. Robinson, Dundas, Ont.

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Many a man refuses to love his neighbor as himself because he has a garden and his neighbor keeps hens.

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A Grand Army Man Crosses Swords with Heart Disease and Wins a Glorious Victory With the Aid of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart.

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart can not be over estimated, says H. M. Muselman, a well-known G. A. R. man of Weiseport, Pa., and he continues: "My ailments were palpitation and fluttering of the heart. I used two bottles of your valuable cure and feel like a new man. I have used bottles and bottles of other medicine without help. I introduce it to friends at every opportunity possible. It is a great medicine. Inside of 30 minutes after the first dose I had relief."

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From the Ottawa Journal.

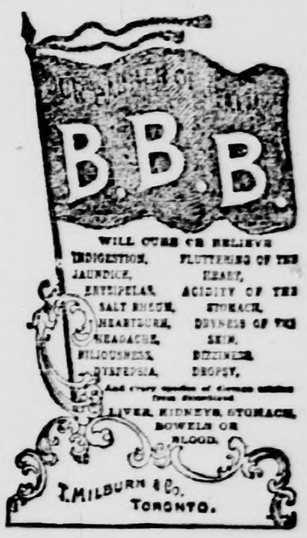
Mr. David Moore is a well known and much esteemed farmer living in the county of Carleton, some six miles from the village of Richmond. Mr. Moore has been an invalid for some years, and physicians failed to agree as to his ailment. Not only this but their treatment failed to restore him to health. Mr. Moore gives the following account of his illness and eventual restoration to health. He says:—"My first sickness came on me when I was 69 years of age. Prior to that I had always been a strong healthy man. I had a bad cough and was growing weak and in bad health generally. I went to North Gower to consult a doctor, who after examining me said, "Mr. Moore I am sorry to tell you that your case is very serious, so much so that I doubt if you can live two months." He said my trouble was a combination of asthma and bronchitis, and he gave me some medicine and some leaves to smoke which he said might relieve me. I took neither because I felt sure I had neither trouble he said, and that he did not understand my case. Two days later I went to Ottawa and consulted one of the most prominent physicians there. He gave a thorough examination and pronounced my ailment heart trouble, and said I was liable in my present form to drop dead at any moment. I decided to remain in the city for some time and undergo his treatment. He wrote a few lines on a piece of paper giving my name and place of residence and trouble, to carry in my pocket in case I should die suddenly. I did not seem to be getting any better under the treatment and finally left the city determined to consult a doctor nearer home. I was again examined and the idea that I had heart disease was scouted, the doctor saying that there was many a man following the plow whose heart was in worse shape than mine. I remained under the treatment of this doctor for a long time, but got no better. Then my case was made worse by an attack of la grippe, which left behind it a terrible pain in my neck and shoulders. This became so severe that I could not raise my head from my pillow without putting my hand to it and lifting it up. I doctored until I was trying my sixth doctor, and instead of getting better was getting worse. The last doctor I had advised me to wait until the heat of the summer was over when he would blister me for the pains in my neck and shoulders, which he felt sure would relieve it. I was on my way to Richmond to undergo this blistering when I met Mr. Geo. Argue, of North Gower, who told me of the wonderful cure Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had wrought in him, and advised me strongly to try them. I went to Richmond, but instead of going to the doctor's I bought some Pink Pills and returned home and began using them. Before I had finished my second box there was no doubt that they were helping me. I kept on taking the Pink Pills, and my malady, which the doctors had failed to successfully diagnose, was rapidly leaving me. The pain also left my neck and shoulders, and after a couple of months treatment I became strong and healthy. I am now in my 77th year and thank God that I am able to go about with a feeling of good health. I still continue taking the pills occasionally, feeling sure that for a person of my age they are an excellent tonic. After the failure of so much medical treatment I feel sure that nothing else than Pink Pills could have restored me to my present condition."

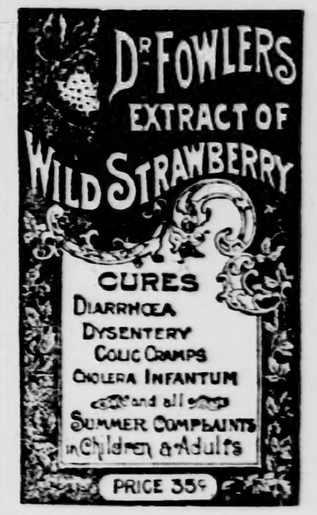
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Murder in Muskoka.

Word has been received of the murder of J. P. Shaw, a prominent citizen of Elmsdale, Muskoka. Deceased had trouble with a man named Fry over some tan bark, and was shot dead by him at Ravensworth, a flag station on the O. A. & P. S. railway, where the tan bark was being loaded. Fry has so far resisted all attempts at arrest, and maintains that he will not be taken alive.

The ear that is always open to hear slander, becomes a common cess-pool for the neighborhood.





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Reading of the thermometer for the week ending Tuesday, March 9, 1897.

	Maximum.	Minimum
Wednesday, March 3	19	— 3
Thursday, March 4	18	4
Friday, March 5	— 7	—15
Saturday, March 6	2	—30
Sunday, March 7	2	—14
Monday, March 8	7	—16
Tuesday, March 9	6	—11

WIND DIRECTION AND VELOCITY.

	6 A.M.	1 P.M.	6 P.M.
Wednesday	SW 6	S 18	S 26
Thursday	NW 10	NE 24	NE 18
Friday	E 6	E 2	E 2
Saturday	calm	SE 6	E 2
Sunday	E 8	E 2	calm
Monday	S 4	NE 12	S 8
Tuesday	calm	NW 12	NW 10

Local and General

—Mr. Rubbee, of Winnipeg, is registered at the Leland.

—Dr. Cowan, of Regina, is in town and will remain till to-morrow.

—Const. Della Torres, of Grenfell, registered at the Leland last week.

—For sweet and bitter oranges, lemons, grapes, etc., go to McKenzie's.

—Mr. G S. Davidson is attending the grand lodge of A.O.U.W. at Winnipeg.

—Harry Lindley and company will occupy the boards at the town hall Friday night.

—Mrs F. Whittingham, Mr. and Mrs P. McNaughton, returned from Ontario this week.

—Mr. Lambert, a prominent ranch owner in the Valley, spent a few days in town this week.

—Mr. J. F. Lindsay, of the Massey-Harris Co., Moosomin, spent a few days in town last week.

—Scott & Co., recently burned out, are now doing business in the shop under the Masonic temple.

—Mr J. B. Robinson is busy putting a new entrance into the council chamber in the town hall.

—Rev. Canon Flett has been laid up at the Leland for a few days with a severe attack of grippe.

—We understand that the erection of the proposed new grist mill will be gone on with at an early date.

—Mr. E. W. Warner arrived on Friday's delayed express from Winnipeg, and returned on Monday night.

—Mr. R. S. Ross and family, having spent a pleasant holiday in Ontario among friends and relatives, arrived home on Saturday.

—The Presbyterian S.S. added twenty-nine new books to their library last Sunday, which now numbers considerably over one hundred.

—Mr. Moorhouse arrived in town yesterday morning with plans for the new government creamery to be erected at this place, and work will be commenced at once.

—Sergt. DesBarres, who has been laid up at Regina with a severe attack of rheumatism and pneumonia, is, we are pleased to say, able to resume his duties at Grenfell.

—The first annual bench show for 1897 of the Manitoba Dog Owners' association, will be held at 322 Main street, Winnipeg, on March 23 24, 25. Entrees close March 20 n.

—Mr. E. P. Lewis of the Harry Lindley dramatic and comedy company, drove up from Indian Head yesterday. The company give a one-night performance to-morrow (Friday) night.

—The great depth of snow on the prairie has made the trails very bad, and persons driving in opposite directions find great difficulty in passing each other. Such a depth of snow has not been seen here for years.

—What with the new grist mill, government creamery and the new business blocks to be erected this spring, Qu'Appelle Station will put on a new suit of clothes and stalk into the swim the admired of all admirers—for business.

—On Wednesday of last week at 2 p.m. Mrs. Mary Anne Dill, mother of J. P. Dill and Miss Dill passed away. Mrs. Dill was in her 78th year and has been living in Wellesley for the past eight years. For many years she has been very frail, and for the past two years and eleven months has been confined to her bed. During this time she has been nursed by her daughter Miss Dill, whose care the doctor says could not have been exceeded by trained nurses. Mrs. Dill, though frail in body, was very clear in mind, and her cheerful disposition was admired by all who knew her. —Echo.

—Two week's ago to-day fire destroyed the fruit and confectionary store of Mr. A. McKenzie on Main street. Last Monday he finished the erection of a temporary building and is now doing business at the old stand. Such enterprise is deserving of success.

—The Montreal Star acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a cheque for $757 93 from its esteemed contemporary, the Witness, being a contribution from a number of its readers for the relief of the distress in India, which, with graceful courtesy, the Witness adds to the Star fund.

—The Colonist, a beautifully illustrated monthly magazine devoted to the interests and development of Manitoba and the Northwest generally, is to hand for February. It contains a fine illustrated write-up of Carberry and the Big Plains, besides a mining supplement and map showing the location of the Seine River gold fields. Price $1 a year.

The special number of The Commercial is to hand, and is far ahead of its predecessors. It contains 24 pages of new illustrations. The letterpress is all that could be desired, and we congratulate the Commercial upon its enterprise. Mr. Steen, the publisher, is a live man and is noted for doing things well, but in this edition he has surpassed himself. Price 25c per copy.

—The Vidette newspaper, one of the oldest papers in Assiniboia territory, has been moved from Fort Qu'Appelle to Indian Head. "The Fort" was at one time probably the most important point in what is now the territory of Assiniboia, but the lack of railway facilities has kept it back. It is a beautiful location for a town and some day will no no doubt secure communication with the outside world.—Commercial.

—Norman McLeod, who was shot at Grenfell last Christmas by Edward Meek, has gone to Toronto, where he entered the general hospital. The bullet from Meek's revolver entered McLeod's liver, and the doctors failed to extract it. The wound healed, but subsequently the bullet began to cause pain. Efforts will be made to locate the bullet by means of X rays photograph. Meek, the man responsible for the trouble, is spending a year in jail for the offence.

—To meet a man from Huron or Bruce in the Northwest, or occasionally a man from the county Lumix, is no novelty, but to meet a man from Prince Edward County or our own old county of Lennox and Addington is a treat. Yesterday we had the pleasure of meeting an old acquantance, Dan McMullen, of Egg Lake, who hails from Napanee, and it is needless to say we had quite a conversation over old times, old friends, and old acquaintances.

—The suggestion has received our favorable consideration that as the Indian famine is likely to continue until next September, the Penny readings, the first of which was held a short time ago, should be continued in the name of the town for the purpose of augmenting the above fund. Such a laudable object should inspire sufficient enthusiasm in the enterprise to warrant good programmes and a large attendance. Let some ambitious citizen take this matter up and he will be assured of our hearty support.

—Mr. R. Johnston has returned from his cattle purchasing tour to Prince Albert, where he was successful in securing about 300 head of fine animals. Mr. Johnston gives an interesting account of his journey home. The train was snowed in for four days and the passengers had rather a tough time of it, but had a chance to become familiar with snow shovelling on a large scale. Mr. Johnston says that an engine and plow would race at a drift at the rate of fifty miles an hour and would completely bury themselves before stopping, and they would then have to be released and the same operation gone through again before the track was cleared to allow the passenger train following to get through.

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—The February number of the Gripsack has appeared, and is in a new dress, suitably illustrated, and is all that its publishers have tried to make it—a clean, bright and breezy periodical. The chief article is that graphically describing St. John, N.B., which is also artistically illustrated. The subsidiary articles are interesting and relate to travel, trade, etc., while an up-to-date map of the Maritime provinces will be found very useful to business men, tourists and sportsmen. The paper is of good quality and the pictures of St. John are excellently reproduced. We congratulate our contemporary upon a most artistic number.

A CROUPY COUGH WAS SOON DRIVEN AWAY BY DR CHASE'S LINSEED AND TURPENTINE.

"My little boy had a bad croupy cough," says Mrs. Smith, of 256 Bathurst street, Toronto. "My neighbor, Mrs. Hopkins, recommended me to try Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. I did so and the first dose did him good. One bottle completely cured the cold. It is surprising, the popularity of Chase's Syrup in this neighborhood. It appears to me it can now be found in every house."

Indian Head Items.

(From our own correspondent.)

Very little wheat is moving at present.

Gordon Brown left on Sunday night to attend the high school at Regina.

George Perkins, while killing a steer for W. H. Lee, received an ugly cut from the knife he was using, almost severing one of his fingers.

We understand that W. Ross and J. Hooper have secured the agency for the gas light burner, one of the greatest inventions of the age; no fear of it exploding or burning out. Mr. Ross intends shipping in gasoline at an early date. He says it saves money. Your correspondent has seen the burner and found it to throw a very clear light—as clear as an electric light. One gallon of gasoline will stand two gallons of coal oil and is about the same price per gallon.

The Vidette issued their first paper in Indian Head last week.

E. H. Robinson has opened an art studio over W. F. Johnston's shop, and is prepared to decorate and paint buggies, etc.

Harry Skinner has been confined to his bed for a week or more with la grippe.

A. J. Osment is attending the Grand Lodge of A.O.U.W., now in session at Winnipeg.

Ah, there! Look out for King La Grippe!
A pain in your back is sure to be it;
A pain in your body from the toes to the head,
Will cause you to wander off to your bed.

Amply Addressed.

Many curiously addressed letters pass through the mails, but the following directed to a citizen in Winnipeg, and received the other day from London, Eng., leads the procession:

To W—— P—— this letter take,
He owes honest leather,
And every thing he has to make,
Wears well in any weather.
Go to J—— s——t 278
For harness, saddle and collar
And all you get will be first rate,
You bet your bottom dollar.
No better saddler shakes a peg
In your good town of Winnipeg.
He works his hardest all the year
November to Octobah.
You need with such men have no fear
Of success to Manitoba. —Free Press.

Curliana.

The second annual bonspiel of the Grenfell curling club was held in that thriving town on Thursday last, and as usual our own club distinguished the selves by carrying off the Skilleter grand challenge, a cup valued at $250, and four gold medals, Indian Head, Fort Qu'Appelle and Grenfell competing. Moosomin curlers also started for Grenfell but did not reach their destination in time to take part in the opening matches. The Grenfell Sun thus facetiously remarks: "Moosomin failed to put in an appearance. The train hands of a freight just arrived from the east, say they overtook four curlers, who were walking and had their 'rocks' loaded on handsleighs. They are expected to arrive Saturday morning."

THE BEAUCHAMP COMHETITION.

Play continues for the Beauchamp trophy. On Monday night a game was played between rinks skipped by W. L. Waite and C. T. Bailey, the latter winning. Tuesday night's game between W. J. Davidson and Dr. Carthew resulted in Davidson finishing 1 up.

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A. H. B. SPERLING, Local Agent.

Johnny, a Sunday school boy, having arrived at his eighth birthday, thought it would be real nice to write a letter to his papa, and this is the way he began: "Dear Papa—Whenever I am tempted to do wrong, I think of you and say: 'Get thee behind me, Satan!'"

Qu'Appelle Markets.

GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1, 53c.; No. 2, 50c; No. 3, 42c. Oats, 20c.

FLOUR—Hungarian, $2.50; Strong Bakers, $2.25; XXXX, $1.75; Rolled oats, $2.00, Granulated oats, $2.25; Cornmeal, $2.75.

PROVISIONS—Eggs, 25c; Butter, 15 to 20c. Lard, 12½c; Cheese, 12½c.

CATTLE—Live weight, fine export, 2½c; butchers, 2 to 2½c; Hogs, 2½ to 3c; Sheep, 3c; Lambs, $2 to $3 each. Calves, 7c.

MEAT (retail)—Beef, 5 to 10c; pork, 10c; mutton, 10 to 15c; lamb, 12½ to 15c; veal, 7 to 12½c; pork sausages, 10c; Bologna sausages, 12½c; corned beef, 6 to 10c; pickled pork, 10 to 12½c; dry salt bacon, 10c; breakfast bacon and hams, 12½ to 15c; spiced roll, 12½c.

FISH—Herrings, 35c; Finnan Haddie, 12½

ONIONS—$1 50 per bush.

POTATOES—15c per bush.

Cabbage, 1c per lb., Cauliflower, 30 to 50c a doz., Celery 75c per doz. bunches.

Hay, $3 a ton; wood, $3 to $3 50 a cord.

Green hides are now being bought.

Coal—Anthracite, $9 25; Galt, $6.50.

A NEW BOOK, "KNITTING AND CROcheting, of 64 pages, over 50 original designs illustrated, beautiful lace patterns, shawls, hoods, jackets, etc., has been published by The Home, 141 Milk St., Boston, Mass., and will be sent with a subscription to that paper. The Home is a 2-page monthly filled with original stories, literary and domestic topics and fashions. Its department of Fancy Work is a special feature, new and original designs each issue. The price of subscription is 50 cents per year and will include one of these books. As a special inducement to trial subscribers, a copy of this book will be given with a 6 months' subscription. The price of the book is 25 cents, but a six months' subscription and the book combined will be sent for only 15 cents. Then annual premium list for 1897 will be sent free on application.

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